



United States Air Force Reserve

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Education Assistance Programs



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- **Montgomery G.I. Bill –Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR)
Chapter 1606 of U.S.C./Kicker Program**
- **Reserve Education Assistance Program (REAP),
Chapter 1607 of U.S.C.**
- **Montgomery G.I Bill – (Active Duty) Chapter 30 of
U.S.C.**
- **Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Chapter 33**
- **Education Opportunities**



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What is MGIB-SR/Kicker & Who Is Eligible

- **VA Educational assistance to be used in degree study, vocational or certification programs**
- **Officer and enlisted members in the Selected Reserve**
- **Enlisted members become eligible based on the first 6 year enlistment in a Reserve Component**
- **Officers must be eligible to serve an additional 6 years**
- **Satisfactory Participation in Selected Reserve**
- **Eligibility period is duration of Selected Reserve participation. No longer limited to 14 years.**



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MGIB-SR Kicker Program

- **Kicker is an education allowance of \$350.00 for Enlisted only and is paid in addition to the basic MGIB-SR, MGIB, or REAP**

- **Eligibility criteria**

- **Eligible MGIB-SR**
- **Must be in critical duty AFSC:**

1A Aircrew Operations

1N Intelligence

1T Aircrew Protection

2A Aerospace Maintenance

2F Fuels

2T Transportation

2W Munitions and Weapons

3E Civil Engineering

4N Medical and Surgical Services

8D Linguist

Debriefer/Interrogator





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Eligibility Suspended/Terminated

- **Suspension:**
 - If you voluntarily leave the SELRES your eligibility will be suspended, you must re-affiliate within 1 year or your benefits will be terminated
- **Termination:**
 - Involuntarily discharged from SELRES
 - Failed to re-affiliate with the SELRES within 1 year
 - Determined to be an unsatisfactory participant
- If your benefits are terminated you will never be eligible for MGIB-SR/Kicker again
- Possible Recoupment if you fail to fulfill 6 yr requirement
- Recoupment may be waived under certain circumstances



What is REAP & Who is Eligible

- **Reserve Education Assistance Program, Chapter 1607**
- **Members in the Ready Reserve (either SELRES or IRR)**
 - **In support of a named contingency**
 - **called or ordered to active service**
 - **Serve 90 or more continuous days**
 - **Members released from AD < 90 days due to injury/illness incurred/aggravated in the line of duty**
- **If you serve 3 > years of cumulative AD service you may be eligible for MGIB Chapter 30 at a reduced rate & must contribute \$1200**
- **Up to 36 months of full-time benefits**



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What is REAP & Who is Eligible

- **Member retains eligibility for 15 years following separation from Selected Reserve (not IRR)**
 - **If you're eligible under more than one VA education program**
 - **you may receive a maximum of 48 months of full time benefits**



- **VA Educational assistance program that may be used in degree study, vocational or certificate programs**
- **Entitled up to 36 months of full time benefits**
- **Eligible for 10 years after being released from AD**

- **If you're eligible under more than one VA education program you may receive a maximum of 48 months of full time benefits**

MGIB Chapter 30 (Active Duty) Eligibility

- **Initial period of active service for anything other than training**
- **High School Graduate or Equivalent**
- **Entered AD for the first time after June 30 1985**
- **Must elect MGIB upon entry into AD**
- **Must serve three years of continuous AD**
- **Or 2 years continuous AD and a 4 yr Selected Reserve obligation**
- **Must contribute \$1200.00**
- **When discharged from AD must be fully honorable**



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Program Rate Comparison Rates Effective Oct 11 (FY 12)

	Full time	$\frac{3}{4}$ time	$\frac{1}{2}$ time	$\frac{1}{4}$ time or less
MGIB-AD (\$1200.00 contribution)	\$1473.00	\$1104.75	\$736.50	\$368.25
MGIB-SR	\$345.00	\$258.000	\$171.00	\$86.25
REAP				
90 < YR	\$589.20	\$441.90	\$294.60	\$147.30
1 YR +	\$883.80	\$662.85	\$441.90	\$220.95
2 YR +	\$1140.80	\$883.80	\$589.20	\$294.60
Reap 2+ MGIB-AD reduced rate with \$1200.00 contribution	\$1178.40	\$883.8	\$589.20	\$294.60

Kicker adds \$350 for full time study with a VA approved program

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Post-9/11 GI Bill Chapter 33

- **Applies to Active, Guard and Reservist completing certain active duty days**
- **Applies to Title 10 and Title 32 sec 502F**
- **Includes graduates of service academies and full ROTC scholarship recipients.**
- **36 months of entitlement effective 1 Aug 2009 until 15 years after discharge or release from active duty**
- **Tiered payment schedule based on number of aggregate active duty days; paid directly to school.**
- **Unused benefits may be transferred to eligible dependents if done prior to transferring to inactive or retired status**



Post 9/11 Education Assistance Payments

- **For 36 months of active duty:**
 - **100% tuition paid directly to the school but cannot exceed maximum of in-state charges**
 - **Housing equal to E-5 BAH**
 - **Lump sum amount to cover books, supplies, equipment, and other educational costs not to exceed \$1000 annually**
- **Less than 36 months service will be prorated in 6 month increments**
 - **Minimum 90 days, < 6 months receives 40%**
 - **6 months, < 12 months receives 50%**
 - **12 months, < 18 months receives 60%**
 - **18 months, < 24 months receives 70%**
 - **24 months, < 30 months receives 80%**
 - **30 months, < 36 months received 90%**



How do I apply?

- **To establish Post 9/11 Education Assistance eligibility:**
 - <http://www.va.gov> once there click on VONAPP
- **To elect to transfer benefits:**
 - <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/>
 - For more information: www.va.gov
 - VA Education at: **1-888-442-4551**
- **Total Force Service Center – Denver at: 1-800-525-0102**



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AFRC Education Opportunities

- **Testing**
 - **Professional Certification testing**
 - **College entrance testing**
 - **College course testing**
 - **Career Assessment testing**
 - **Testing for Spouses of Reserve Members**
 - **College Level Exam Program (CLEP)**
 - **DANTES Standardized Subject Test (DSST)**
 - **Information resources**



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AFRC Education Opportunities

- **Degree Opportunities through Air University**
 - **Community College of the Air Force (CCAF)**
 - **Air University Associate-to-Baccalaureate Cooperative (AU ABC)**
 - **Air Command and Staff College Online Master's degree**

Tuition Assistance

- **100% tuition reimbursement up to \$250.00 per semester hour or \$166.66 per quarter hour for Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees not to exceed \$4500 per fiscal year**
- **Authorized for distance learning (correspondence) and traditional in-residence classes**
- **Funding must be requested prior to the start of the course**



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AFRC Education Opportunities

Helpful Links

- For more information, see ARPC's Education home page
- <http://www.au.af.mil/au/schools.asp> - Air University
- <https://ccaf.maxwell.af.mil> - CCAF
- <http://www.au.af.mil/au/dlmasters.asp> - ACSC degree
- http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes_web/certification/deph/pt3/index.htm - DANTES Testing
- <http://www.gibill.va.gov/> - Veterans Affairs, Education
- For more information call Total Force Service Center – Denver at: 1-800-525-0102



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Questions?

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